

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: James Conlow

Art Unit: 3693

Serial No.: 10/007,266

Examiner: Abdul Basit

Filing Date: December 3, 2001

Conf. No.: 2588

For: System and Method for Efficient  
Presentation and Payment of Bills  
from Multiple Independent Entities in  
a Hierarchically Structured Business  
Project

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**MAILED February 11, 2009**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the office action mailed February 11, 2009, applicant makes the following response. A Petition for Extension of Time to Respond is being filed with this response.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.